



**THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES
KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR
IN
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

Arkansas Darter (*Etheostoma cragini*) - Threatened: Known to occur in shallow, clear, spring-fed streams having sand or sand-gravel substrates with aquatic vegetation, or similar protective cover present. ***Critical habitats have been designated.*** Federal Candidate.

Arkansas River Shiner (*Notropis girardi*) - Endangered: Known to occur historically in the Arkansas River and currently in the Ninnescah and the South Fork Ninnescah Rivers. Restricted to the broad, sandy channels where it frequents areas leeward of sand ridges formed by perennial, shallow flows. The fish is dependent upon high flows during late spring and early summer to successfully spawn. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Threatened nationally.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as a regular winter visitant along the Arkansas and Ninnescah Rivers. Wintering eagles are dependent upon large water bodies and larger rivers where they feed on waterfowl and fish. ***Critical habitat has been designated.*** Threatened nationally.

Eastern Spotted Skunk (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: Known to occur in suitable riparian areas throughout the Cowskin Creek basin and are likely to occur in similar areas along all Sedgwick County streams. Prefers forest edge and rock outcrops in upland prairie grasslands. Also frequents fencerows, outbuildings, brushpiles, and riparian woodlands. ***Critical habitat has been designated.***

Eskimo Curlew (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly a regular spring transient using plowed fields, heavily grazed pastures, burned grasslands, and prairie dog towns. Was most common in the eastern 2/3 of the state, but has not been verified in Kansas since 1902. A few birds may still migrate through Kansas. Endangered nationally.

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: Known to occur as transients or occasional summer visitants on barren flats and sandbars near water where a dependable supply of small fish and aquatic crustaceans is available. Endangered nationally.

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an uncommon transient and occasional winter visitant. Prefers marshes, lakes, and rivers where concentrations of waterfowl or other birdlife provide ample prey.

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Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally as a rare transient through Kansas. Prefers sparsely vegetated shorelines of shallow lakes, salt flats and open ground in marshes, and bare river sandbars. Threatened nationally.

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally as a seasonal transient or summer visitant, but no nesting has been documented.

Speckled Chub (*Macrhybopsis aestivalis tetranemus*) - Endangered: Known to occur in the Arkansas and Ninnescah River basins. Prefers currents over clean, fine sand, avoiding calm water and silt bottoms. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: Known to occur occasionally as a local summer visitant at marshes and impoundments.

Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) - Endangered: May occur as a seasonal transient. Frequently stops to rest and feed at marshes and hay fields. Endangered nationally.

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